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LOMBARDO TOLEDANO, Vicente

Mexican professor and publicist. Born: Teziutlán, State of Puebla, July 16, 1894. Son of Vicente Lombardo and Isabel Toledano. Married Rosa María Otero y Gama. - Educated: French Commercial School and National Preparatory School of Mexico City; University of Mexico, degrees of licentiate in law, 1919, M.A., 1920, Ph.D., 1933. Public Career: Secretary of and professor in the Mexican Popular University (a labor institution), 1917-1921; professor of law and philosophy in various Faculties of the University of Mexico, 1918-1933; in 1933 expelled from the University for his radical views; secretary of the government of the Federal District, 1920; head of the Department of Public Libraries of the Secretariat of Public Education, 1921; director (and over a period of years professor) of the National Preparatory School, 1922-1923, 1932-1933; formerly director of the Summer School of the University of Mexico; Governor of the State of Puebla, 1923; member of the Municipal Council of Mexico City, 1924; federal deputy, legislatures of 1926 and 1928; director of the Central School of Plastic Arts of the University of Mexico, 1930-1932; member, and one of the secretaries (to 1921), of the Mexican Regional Confederation of Workers (popularly known as CROM). Upon his expulsion from the University, Dr. Lombardo Toledano was instrumental in founding an institution of his own, the "Gabino Barreda" University of Mexico City, which opened its doors in February 1934 with an enrollment of 500 students and which is now known as the Workers' University (Universidad Obrera). Dr. Lombardo, a Marxist in philosophy, has been associated with the movement in Mexico which aims to make the schools vehicles of socialistic propaganda. Co-founder of the General Confederation of Workers and Peasants of Mexico City (very largely incorporating the left wing of the CROM), 1933. In June, 1935, the General Confederation of Mexican Workers and Peasants, together with other labor organizations, formed the National Committee of Proletarian Defense for the purpose of strengthening the revolutionary program of President Cárdenas, and to unify the Mexican working classes on a broad and permanent foundation. This purpose was realized at the National Congress of Labor Unification, held in Mexico City in February 1936, out of which grew the Confederation of Mexican Workers (Confederación de Trabajadores Mexicanos, or C.T.M.), the most important trade-union body which has thus far existed in Mexico. Sr. Lombardo is general secretary of this Confederation at the present time (1939). He is head of a popular editorial concern which aims to diffuse new paths of learning and culture among the masses, and which is now publishing the bi-monthly review Futuro. In connection with his efforts to strengthen the Mexican labor movement, Sr. Lombardo has in recent years attended most of the left-wing labor conferences in Europe, and has also traveled widely in the United States and Latin America. Member: Sociedad Científica "Antonio Alzate"; Sociedad Mexicana de Geografía y Estadística; Sociedad Mexicana de Estudios Sociológicos; etc. Author: La influencia de los heroes en el progreso social (1919); El derecho publico y las nuevas corrientes filosoficas (1919); La significacion del reparto de tierras (1921); El reparto de tierras no se opone a las ensenanzas de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo (1921); Definiciones sobre derecho publico (1921); Etica (1922); El problema de la educacion en Mexico (1924); La libertad sindical en Mexico (1926); La Doctrina Monroe y el movimiento obrero (1927); Los derechos sindicales de los trabajadores intelectuales (1927) El contrato sindical de trabajo (1928); Bibliografia del trabajo y de la prevision social en México (1928); Geografia de las lenguas de la Sierra de Pueblo (1931); Conclusiones del Primer Congreso de Universitarios Mexicanos (1933); El plan sexenal del gobierno del Partido Nacional Revolucionario (1934); La doctrina socialista y su interpretación en el

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artículo 30. constitucional (1934); Ha caído una estrella (1936); La revolución del Brasil (1936); Cincuenta verdades sobre la U.R.S.S. (1936); Un viaje al mundo del porvenir (1936); Escritos filosóficos (1937). Dr. Lombardo is also an assiduous contributor to various Mexican and foreign newspapers and periodicals, principally to El Universal and Futuro of Mexico City. Residence: Villa Rosa Maria, San Angel, D.F. Office: Rosales 26, Mexico, D.F.